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Valleys and grasslands have soil that is good for growing plants.

Rivers and lakes have water for growing crops.

It is easier to farm on flat land than in the mountains.

Cows and sheep can graze on grasses that grow in grasslands.





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Plants grow well in areas where the climate is warm.

Rain is important to growing plants.

It is easier to build buildings on flat land.

Most people want to live and work where the climate is mild.





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Forests have wood that can be used to build buildings.

The water in rivers and lakes can be used for drinking and for transportation.

Grasslands and deserts have beautiful wildflowers that many people enjoy looking at.

Mountains are places where people can ski, bike, and hike.



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Forests are places where people can hike, bike, or hunt.

Lakes, rivers, and the ocean are places where people can boat, fish, surf, and swim.

Natural areas are places where people can go to see wildlife and relax.

Lakes, rivers, and the ocean can be used to move people and goods from place to place.





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It is easier to build roads on flat land.

Mountain passes are used to get cars and trains from one side of a mountain range to the other.

Airports must be built in large areas of flat land.

Bridges must be built over lakes and rivers to get cars and trains from one side to the other.